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## THAW MILLIONS FOR EVELYN'S SON

There is a Possibility That Great Estate Will Go to Child of the Couple Formerly in the Limelight.

Pittsburg, April 24.—Will Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's six-year-old son, Russell, inherit the fortune of Harry Kendall Thaw in spite of the fact that the principal ground upon which Thaw obtained a divorce was testimony from three persons that Patrick John Francis, a former newspaper reporter and press agent of New York, admitted to them that he was the child's father and that Mrs. Thaw herself at various times confirmed Francis' admissions?

Competent authority calculates that the Thaw millions have increased immensely since the elder Thaw's death and that at that time the Thaw fortune was estimated at about \$40,000,000.

The fact that under the laws of Pennsylvania and because of the terms of the will made by Harry K. Thaw's father

the status of the child as Thaw's prospective heir were not materially injured by this testimony, direct and downright as it was, is a point of tremendous interest to the legal fraternity. The paternity of the little boy, absolutely repudiated by Thaw when he testified in the divorce hearing before Judge Cohen in the common pleas court and attributed to Patrick ("Jack") Francis by three witnesses, was not necessarily the compelling factor in the granting of a decree on April 19, but it was a most important feature of the case. To the mind of the laymen, unversed in the peculiarities of the law of this state, the testimony might have seemed to remove forever any possible chance the boy Russell might have had to inherit Harry K. Thaw's fortune.

Lawyers, however, do not look at the matter that way. They seem fairly well agreed that the divorce suit testimony, positive as it was, actually accomplished nothing so far as inheritance rights under the laws of Pennsylvania are concerned.

### Child's Rights Guarded by Law.

Even though Harry K. Thaw himself stated as definitely as words could express his mind that he had never seen Mrs. Thaw alone after the summer of 1908 (the child was born, it appears, on October 25, 1909, near Potsdam, Germany), and insisted under most thorough questioning about this point, that he had never had an opportunity to be alone with Mrs. Thaw while he was confined in Matteawan, subsequent to the summer of 1908, many lawyers hold that his statements do not, in themselves, establish the illegitimacy of the boy.

The legal status of the child, expressed as simply as possible, is that he is presumed to be legitimate because under Pennsylvania's laws all children born in wedlock are presumed to be legitimate even though the husband and wife were living apart. As one lawyer expressed it, the laws of this state give a child every possible presumption and put the onus on the person legally presumed to be the father to establish positively that the paternity lies elsewhere. Lawyers say that it will be necessary for Thaw, in case the situation develops some day, as seems probable, into a legal contest for the Thaw millions to prove that the circumstances of his confinement in Matteawan and the rigor with which he was guarded elsewhere made it possible for Harry Thaw to be alone at any time with Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. The law places the burden of proof upon Thaw. One lawyer thoroughly acquainted with all the facts gives it as his belief that this cannot be done.

Thaw is forbidden under his father's will to dispose of his estate or of any part of it. The will stipulates that none of the children of the elder Thaw was to have disposing powers, and commands that at their death their estates must go to their lawful issue.

The testimony given in the divorce hearing becomes, however, of great importance as foreshadowing, possibly, the material to be used against the child's claims if a will contest is ever brought, as seems inevitable. The transcript of the testimony given in the hearing was furnished to the Sun Saturday. Much of it having to do with allegations of Mrs. Thaw's intimacy with various men, including the person named as the father of the boy, Patrick John Francis, need not be gone into.

### WAITING FOR PEOPLE'S CALL.

If They Want Him, Henry Ford Will Run for President.

New York, April 24.—Henry Ford announced here Saturday that if Louis Enright's fluid for motive power fuel measured up to the inventor's claim, he would buy it outright.

To conferred with Enright Saturday, but said no test was made of the mixture of Green powder and water which, Enright contends, may be used as a substitute for gasoline.

Mr. Ford added, however, that after talking with Enright he was satisfied Enright "knew what he was about."

Mr. Ford also announced that he would accept a nomination for the presidency "if the people wanted him."

"One thing I am absolutely sure of in this respect," declared Mr. Ford, "and that is that I shall not finance any third party—not with one cent. Should it be made evident that I am wanted, that is a different matter."

Mr. Ford expressed the opinion that the office should seek the man, rather than that the man should seek the office.

"I am not a candidate for the presidential nomination," he added. "I cannot regard myself in such a light. I regard it as a joke only. It is a very dangerous question as to who the joke is on."

Referring to the recent primary election in the middle West, at which he was endorsed by Republican voters as their preference for the presidential nomination, Mr. Ford said the result was "significant of what the people in that section of the country—the people who raise the stuff that feeds the country—think of militarism."

## FISKE WARNING MADE PUBLIC

Admiral's Statement of the United States' Unpreparedness Given to Senate

IT WAS DATED NOVEMBER 9, 1914

Declares Navy Was Short 19,600 Men at That Time

Washington, D. C., April 24.—Secretary Daniels transmitted to the Senate Saturday the much discussed communication from Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, dated Nov. 9, 1914, warning the secretary that the navy was unprepared for war.

The communication was sent to the Senate in response to the Lodge resolution adopted April 12, calling on Secretary Daniels to submit a letter from the navy general board, dated Aug. 3, 1914, and a communication from Rear Admiral Fiske, dated Nov. 9, 1914. Representative Britten asked Mr. Daniels to produce them during the latter's examination before the House naval committee and the secretary refused. Search at the navy department has now failed to disclose the letter from the general board.

"If this country avoids war during the next five years it will be accomplished only by a happy combination of high diplomatic skill and rare good fortune," was the admiral's solemn opinion formally expressed to the secretary of the navy.

### The Letter.

Rear Admiral Fiske stated that the navy was then short 19,600 men. The ships, he said, were well organized and "pretty well drilled." The navy department itself he characterized as "neither organized nor drilled in a military way." The failure of Secretary Daniels to give serious heed to this warning is expected to be discussed extensively in Congress. The letter follows:

"From Aide for Operations.  
"To Secretary of the Navy:  
"Subject: The navy's unpreparedness for war."

"1. I beg leave, respectfully, but urgently, to request the attention of the secretary to the fact that the United States navy is unprepared for war."

"2. It is true that the United States does not expect to get into war in the near future and is not preparing for war. It is true that nothing could be more unwise than for the country or the navy itself to become nervous about the condition of war into which most of the civilized world has been plunged. It is true that there is no cause for excitement, and it is also true that even the most timid person can give no specific reason for anticipating war with any given country at any given time."

"3. It is also true, however, that the mere absence of actual certainty of coming war is no reason for neglecting preparation. Some persons assume that a disposition to make preparation evidences a state of alarm in the mind of the person who proposed to make preparation. Yet such an assumption is entirely illogical. Wise men and wise nations show their wisdom in no better way than by taking wise precautions against possible dangers. The prevalence of smallpox induces wise people to guard their families against it by vaccination. They do not expect to be attacked by smallpox, but nevertheless they think it wise to take precautions against it."

### His Duty as an Adviser.

"4. Because of the position which I have occupied for more than a year and a half as senior adviser to the secretary of the navy it has been my duty to keep myself informed as far as I have been able of the conditions of the various nations in relation to war. The effects of the condition upon us, the strength of our navy compared with other navies and the degree of probability of our being dragged into war."

"5. The present condition all over the world is one of general upheaval. The state of unstable equilibrium which great powers maintained for many years with great skill and care has been at last upset. A contest is going on, very few results of which can be foretold. One thing probably can be foretold, however—I mean that it can be foretold that the conflict will be violent and also will be long, involving other countries than those now taking part and followed even after the war as present outlined has been ended by a series of more or less violent readjustments of boundaries, insular possessions, treaties and agreements of every kind."

"6. Surely he would be an optimist who would expect that a state of general peace will come in less than five years."

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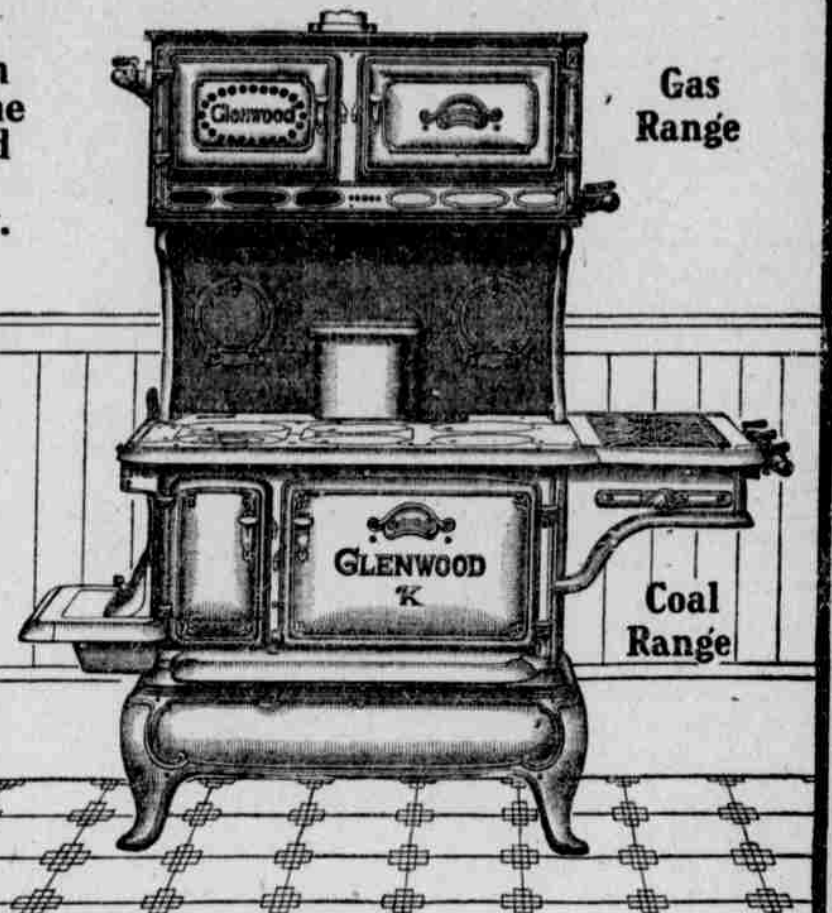
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### Danger for the United States.

"7. In my opinion as your professional adviser and in the opinion of every naval officer with whom I have talked the United States is in danger of being drawn into war and will continue to be in danger for several years. And when I say war I do not mean war of the kind that we had with Spain, but war with a great power, carried on in the same ruthless spirit and in the same wholesale manner as that which pervades the fighting in Europe now. It is true that I cannot specify the country with which war is most probable nor the time nor the cause. But my studies of wars in the past and my observations of conditions at the present time convince me that if this country avoids war during the next five years it will be accomplished only by a happy combination of high diplomatic skill and rare good fortune."

"8. Would it be wise to base all our hopes of national safety on such a frail foundation? Would it be wise to close our eyes to the dangers that confront us? Would it not be wiser to look the dangers clearly in the face and take reasonable precaution to avert them?"

"9. Comparing our navy with the navies which we may have to meet in war I find that our navy is unprepared in three ways:

### Insufficient Personnel.

"10. First, it has an insufficient number of officers and enlisted men. The number of officers cannot be increased, that is, the number of suitable officers, because it takes four years to get a midshipman through the academy and several years afterward to train him. But the number of enlisted men can be increased, and very quickly. It has been said that in time of war we could add to our enlisted personnel from the naval reserve and the naval militia. To my mind this is a visionary notion, with no basis of fact to rest upon. We have been working to get a naval reserve and a naval militia for more than 30 years, scores of expedients have been tried and the only result has been no naval reserve at all and less than 7,000 incompletely trained militia. Possibly we may do better with the naval reserve in the future than in the past, but only possibly, not probably."

"All reasonable expectation for the future is based, and must be based, on the experience of the past, and the experience of the past shows us that to place dependence on the naval militia and naval reserve is to place dependence on hope, not reasonable expectation."

"The only men we can depend upon for naval work on board our ships are men who are enlisted regularly and who have been trained on board our ships and wear the naval uniform. But even if we could expect reasonably to get a naval reserve in the future the fact remains that we want enlisted men right now. To man the ships which should be used in war we need 19,600 men more."

### Department Not Unorganized.

"The second way in which I find our navy unprepared is in departmental organization. Our ships are well organized and pretty well drilled, but the department itself is neither organized nor drilled in a military way. Perhaps this is nobody's fault and may be attributed to the fact that our navy has never had to fight a serious enemy; certainly not in 100 years."

"The people of the country have naturally devoted their energy along the paths of most obvious profit and have

not been confronted with any obvious military dangers. But in my opinion there is an obvious military danger at present and the navy department should be organized to meet it."

"The organization which other navies and all armies of great powers employ to meet this danger is known in English by the phrase 'general staff.' In different languages of course the words are different, but the meaning is the same. In Great Britain, it is called the 'board of admiralty.' This 'general staff' has as its first duty preparation for war, and as its second duty the conduct of war when it comes."

"In making preparation for war the 'general staff' makes war plans. These war plans are of two kinds, general and specific. The general plans are simply analyses of what should be the general conduct of the navy in case of war; and the specific plans are worked out in detail."

"Besides these general and specific plans, however, the 'general staff' devises means whereby information regarding these general and specific plans shall be given to the various executive bureaus and divisions, corrected up to date; and whereby the various executive bureaus and divisions shall always be compelled to be ready to carry out the various parts of those plans into immediate effect."

"12. In directing the conduct of a war the 'general staff' under the direction of the minister sees to it that all information is kept up to date and supplied to the various commanders and that all machinery for carrying out their decisions is kept in working order."

### Machinery Is Lacking.

"13. Our navy department has no machinery for doing what a 'general staff' does. The closest approach to it is the general board, which, as a part of its numerous duties 'shall devise measures and plans for the effective preparation and maintenance of the fleet for war and shall prepare and submit to the secretary of the navy plans of campaign,' etc. The general board does carry out these duties, but the plans that it makes are general and elementary. It exists entirely as an advisory board to the secretary of the navy. It is highly valuable, but, as its name indicates, it is only a 'general board.' It does hardly 1 per cent of the duties that a 'general staff' would do."

"Having no executive authority and no responsibility and being called upon to do a great variety of work, it has not the time to prepare specific plans and has no means to see that even its general plans are ever carried out. If we compare our general board with the 'general staff' of any other country or with the admiralty of Great Britain, and when we see what those 'general staffs' have been accomplishing during the past three months we must be convinced that unless we go on the theory that we shall always have peace we shall be whipped if we ever are brought into war with any one of the great naval powers of Europe or Asia. We shall be like the lawyer who has not prepared his case when pitted against the lawyer who has prepared his case. We shall be as the French were before the Germans in 1870."

"14. The performance of the German army during the last three months is the greatest triumph of the human mind and the human will that has ever been accomplished. It is not the triumph of one mind or one will, but the triumph of several million minds and several million wills, co-ordinated by a general staff."

"The use of cotton seed meal as a fertilizer for most of our crops in this section. With cotton seed meal selling at \$28 a ton and where acid phosphate can be bought for \$22 a ton this mixture figures out a cost of 23 cents a pound for nitrogen, seven cents for phosphate acid, and eight cents a pound for potash."

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with a degree of perfection that the world has never before seen. This pace being set, any navy not provided with a 'general staff' is a navy not provided with 'the most modern improvements.'"

### Deficient in Training.

"15. The third way in which I find our navy deficient is in training. This deficiency in training is due not to lack of spirit or ability, but to a combination of the two preceding causes; that is, to insufficient personnel and lack of departmental organization, to which must be added lack of small ships. I mean that because we have not had enough small ships to do work on the coasts of Hayti, Santo Domingo and Mexico, because our ships have been insufficiently manned and because the navy department has had no 'general staff' which would devise and carry out a progressive system of training, lack of progressive training has resulted."

"When I say lack of progressive training I mean lack of training such as the Germans and other nations have. I mean lack of training that secures a high degree of skill. If we are forced into war with a navy like Germany's or England's or Japan's our training should be at least as good as theirs; or rather our skill should be."

"It is impossible for me or for anybody to compare exactly the skill of our navy with the skill of other navies, but on the theory that cause produces effect we must admit that we have not had nearly so good a system to produce skill as other navies have. The developing of skill in the navies and armies of the other great powers is carried out with a vigor and persistency that we cannot approach and has been directed by an organized intelligence that certainly has no superior and probably no equal in any other branch of human effort."

"16. The subject of the improper organization of our navy department was exhaustively analyzed by the Moody board and afterward by the Swift board in 1909. Certain recommendations were made to remedy the evils that they found. Those recommendations have not been carried out."

### COTTON SEED MEAL.

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The use of cotton seed meal as a fertilizer should not be discouraged because

cause most of the mineral ingredients can be returned to the land in the manure. By using it in this way it is made to serve a double purpose. As the livestock industry develops in the south more and more of our cotton seed meal will be diverted there for feed and with probably a corresponding increase in price. On this account wherever possible the practice of feeding the meal and using the manure for fertilizer should be followed rather than the direct application of the cotton seed to the land.

F. N. Abbott.  
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## SAILORS ROUT A PEACE MEETING. STOP SPEECH

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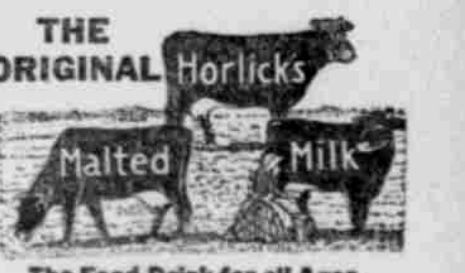
New York, April 24.—Twenty angry men, some of whom were sailors on shore leave from the battleship Arkansas, broke up the daily meeting of the Women's Peace party at 370 Fulton street Saturday afternoon because they were offended by the character of the pictures and quotations in the peace exhibit, and by comments made by Frank Bohn, one of the speakers.

There had been rows and ructions at the Women's Peace party exhibit previously for the reason that visitors objected to the style of anti-preparedness, anti-fight talks made by the peace speakers, but Saturday's trouble was the most serious of all. There were about 300 persons in the hall when angry protests began to be heard because the sailors and their landmen friends did not care for a picture of Uncle Sam with a dirk in his teeth and wearing a cannon for a watch fob.

Mrs. George Frank, chairman of the meeting; Mrs. James P. Warbasse, her husband, Dr. James P. Warbasse, and others of the pacifists tried to smooth matters over, but the angry sailors declined to be smoothed. They kept growling and moving around the hall, pointing out exhibits that were especially distasteful to them.

Then the speaking began and the growls grew louder. When Frank Bohn, a labor lecturer, made a speech which showed scant respect for the United States army, a dozen men made a rush for the platform, brushing men pacifists aside and telling the women pacifists to go home and mind their babies or their knitting or whatever needed minding.

Dr. Warbasse and others ran out and called in two policemen, but the policemen did not see fit to make any arrests. For five minutes the meeting boiled. Then it dissolved. Everybody went away, including the sniffling policemen.



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